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METHODS Appln. Title:

July 26, 2001 Date:

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| 1. Small Entity claim A. ⊠ NOT made B. ☐ Withdrawn C. ☐ made herewith D. ☐ made previously For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256) | Claims remaining after amendment | Highest number previously paid for | | Present Extra | Large/Small Entity | Additional Fee | Fee Code Lg/Sm |
|---|--|------------------------------------|----|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2. Total Effective Claims | 10 | **minus | 10 | 0 | x \$18/\$9 = | + \$0 | 103/203 |
| 3. Independent Claims | 4 | ***minus | 4 | 0 | x \$80/\$40 = | + \$0 | 102/202 |
| 4. If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time (leave <u>blank</u> if this is a <u>reissue</u> application) | | | | | | + \$0 | 104/204 |
| 5. Original due Date: June 30, 2001 NONE | | | | | | T | 115/215 |
| 6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due (1 mo) \$110/\$55 = date to cover the date this response is filed for which the (2 mos) \$390/\$195 = +\$110 | | | | | | | 116/216 |
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| (Usable <u>only</u> for ≤ 2mo.OA 4 mos) \$1390/\$695= (Usable <u>only</u> for 30 day/1mo.OA 5 mos) \$1890/\$945= | | | | | | i i | 128/228 |
| 7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract - \$0 | | | | | | | .l |
| 8. Extension Fee Attached | | | | | | + \$110 | |
| 9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee | | | | | | + \$0 | 148/248 |
| 10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), | | | | | | + \$0 126 126 | 1 |
| or if Rule 97(d) Request | | | | | | | 126 |
| 11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) + \$710/355 | | | | | | + \$0 | 146/246 |
| 12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) x \$710/355 ea | | | | | | + \$0 | 149/249 |
| 13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) + \$710/355 | | | | | | + \$0 | 1179/1279 |
| 14. Petition fee for | | | | | | + \$0 | |
| 15. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED = | | | | | | \$110 | |
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18. ***If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

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(Our Order No. 009901 0276521

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is

filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately

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